RAFFLE RULES AND REQUIREMENTS AS STATED IN THE MONTANA CODES ANNOTATED AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA

ALL RAFFLES

- 1. "Raffle" means a form of lottery in which each participant pays valuable consideration for a ticket to become eligible to win a prize. Winners must be determined by a random selection process approved by department rule.
- 2. The following random selection processes are authorized for use in determining a winner of a raffle as defined in 23-5-112, MCA.
 - a) A drawing from a drum or other receptacle containing raffle ticket stubs or other suitable indicators of the ticket purchaser's identity that have been thoroughly mixed before the drawing; and
 - b) selection by any other process if;
 - (I) the process is reasonably assured of being random and is not connected to an event that has its own intrinsic significance (e.g., a sports event, game of chance, contest); and
 - (ii) the indicator of the raffle ticket purchaser's identity reasonable assures the random selection of a winner.
- 3. If tickets for a raffle are to be sold in more than one county, a permit must be obtained in the county where the winners of the raffle are to be determined.
- 4. A person or organization who has conducted a raffle must submit an accounting to the board of county commissioners within 30 days following the completion of the raffle.
- 5. The sale of raffle tickets authorized by this part is restricted to events and participants within the geographic confines of the state.
- 6. A person under 18 years of age may sell or buy tickets for or receive prizes from a raffle conducted in compliance with 23-5-413, MCA, if proceeds from the raffle, minus administrative expenses and prizes paid, are used to support charitable activities, scholarships or educational grants, or community service projects.

ALL RAFFLES *EXCEPT* RELIGIOUS CORPORATION SOLE OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

- 1. A permit must be issued by the Board of County Commissioners for all raffles conducted within Stillwater County.
- 2. The permit must be issued before the raffle may be conducted.
- 3. A person or organization conducting a raffle shall own all prizes to be awarded as part of the raffle before the sale of any tickets.
- 4. The value of a prize awarded for an individual ticket for a raffle conducted by a person or organization may not exceed \$5,000. The prize may be in the form of cash, other intangible personal property, tangible personal property, or real property. Prizes may not be combined in any manner to increase the ultimate value of the prize awarded for each ticket.

RAFFLES CONDUCTED BY A RELIGIOUS CORPORATION SOLE OR A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

- 1. "Nonprofit organization" means a nonprofit corporation or nonprofit charitable, religious, scholastic, educational, veterans', fraternal, beneficial, civic, senior citizens', or service organization established for purposes other than to conduct a gambling activity.
- 2. A county permit will be issued, but not required.
- 3. The proceeds from the sale of tickets for a raffle may be used only for charitable purposes or to pay for prizes.
- 4. The proceeds from the sale of tickets for a raffle may not be used for the administrative cost of conducting the raffle.
- 5. If the value of the prize is less than \$5,000, the prize may be in the form of cash, other intangible personal property, tangible personal property, or real property.
- 6. The value of a prize awarded for an individual ticket for a raffle conducted may equal or exceed \$5,000 if the prize is in the form of:
 - (a) tangible personal property; or
 - (b) real property the fair market value of which has been certified in writing by an appraiser licensed under 37-54-201 MCA.